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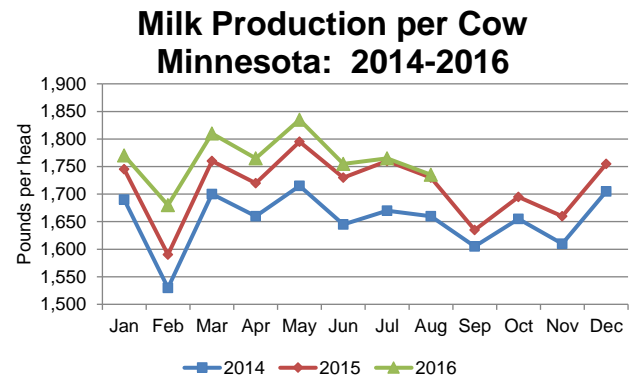
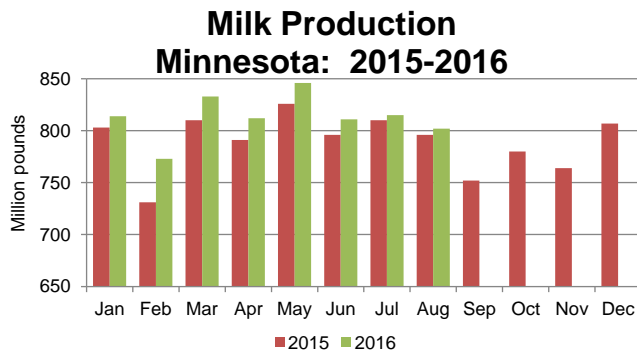
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Milk production in Minnesota during August 2016 totaled 802 million pounds, up slightly from the previous August according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during August, at 462,000 head, was the same as last month and 2,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,735 pounds, up 5 pounds from last August.



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: August 2015 and 2016

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	Change from 2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	195	197	1,870	1,870	365	368	0.8
California	1,778	1,767	1,880	1,860	3,343	3,287	-1.7
Colorado	145	153	2,210	2,235	320	342	6.9
Florida	125	120	1,555	1,500	194	180	-7.2
Idaho	586	599	2,090	2,145	1,225	1,285	4.9
Illinois	94	93	1,600	1,590	150	148	-1.3
Indiana	181	184	1,860	1,870	337	344	2.1
Iowa	211	211	1,915	1,970	404	416	3.0
Kansas	143	145	1,840	1,860	263	270	2.7
Michigan	410	422	2,140	2,215	877	935	6.6
Minnesota.....	460	462	1,730	1,735	796	802	0.8
New Mexico	323	317	2,010	2,080	649	659	1.5
New York	619	620	1,945	2,005	1,204	1,243	3.2
Ohio	266	266	1,750	1,765	466	469	0.6
Oregon	123	125	1,740	1,760	214	220	2.8
Pennsylvania	530	529	1,700	1,695	901	897	-0.4
South Dakota.....	107	115	1,915	1,880	205	216	5.4
Texas	462	487	1,790	1,885	827	918	11.0
Utah	96	92	1,990	2,000	191	184	-3.7
Vermont	132	130	1,700	1,745	224	227	1.3
Virginia	91	89	1,595	1,560	145	139	-4.1
Washington	276	275	2,050	2,070	566	569	0.5
Wisconsin	1,280	1,278	1,940	1,990	2,483	2,543	2.4
23-State Total.....	8,633	8,676	1,894	1,920	16,349	16,661	1.9

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 16.7 billion pounds, up 1.9 percent from August 2015. July revised production, at 16.9 billion pounds, was up 1.7 percent from July 2015. The July revision represented an increase of 48 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,920 pounds for August, 26 pounds above August 2015. This is the highest production per cow for the month of August since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.68 million head, 43,000 head more than August 2015, and 15,000 head more than July 2016.

Milk production in the United States during August totaled 17.7 billion pounds, up 1.9 percent from August 2015.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,895 pounds for August, 27 pounds above August 2015.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.36 million head, 45,000 head more than August 2015, and 16,000 head more than July 2016.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

